

# Examples of Substitution II

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Reminder: The Substitution Rule is

$$\int f(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) dx \quad \begin{array}{l} u = g(x) \\ du = g'(x) dx \end{array} \quad \text{(Indefinite Integral form)}$$

$$= \int f(u) du \quad \& \text{ eventually substitute to put the antiderivative in terms of } x$$

$$\int_a^b f(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) dx \quad \begin{array}{l} u = g(x) \\ du = g'(x) dx \end{array} \quad \text{(Definite Integral form)}$$

$$= \int_{x=a}^{x=b} f(u) du \quad \& \text{ eventually substitute back before using the limits}$$

or

$$= \int_{g(a)}^{g(b)} f(u) du \quad \& \text{ don't have to substitute back before using the new limits.}$$

Warm-up:  $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{(2x+3)^2} dx$

$$u = 2x+3$$

$$du = (2x+3)' dx = 2 dx$$

x	u
0	3
1	5

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$$= \int_3^5 \frac{1}{u^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} du$$

$$\frac{1}{2} du = dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_3^5 u^{-2} du \quad \text{Power Rule} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{u^{-2+1}}{-2+1} \Big|_3^5 = -\frac{1}{2} u^{-1} \Big|_3^5$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2u} \Big|_3^5 = \left(-\frac{1}{2 \cdot 5}\right) - \left(-\frac{1}{2 \cdot 3}\right) = -\frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{6}$$

$$= -\frac{3}{30} + \frac{5}{30} = \frac{2}{30} = \boxed{\frac{1}{15}}$$

Example: (This has one has multiple possibilities for substitution.)

①  $\int \frac{\ln(z^2)}{z} dz$  Try  $u = z^2$ , so  $du = 2z dz$  &  $z dz = \frac{1}{2} du$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2z} du = dz$

$$= \int \frac{\ln(u)}{z} \cdot \frac{1}{2z} du = \int \frac{\ln(u)}{2z^2} dz = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\ln(u)}{u} du \quad \begin{matrix} w = \ln(u) \\ dw = \frac{1}{u} du \end{matrix}$$

must put all  $z$   
 terms of  $u$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int w dw = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{w^2}{2} + C = \frac{1}{4} [\ln(u)]^2 + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [\ln(z^2)]^2 + C$$

② The first was a mess - but we made it work!

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This time we'll try a more sensible approach.

$$\int \frac{\ln(z^2)}{z} dz \quad s = \ln(z^2) \quad \frac{ds}{dz} = \frac{1}{z^2} \cdot \frac{d}{dz}(z^2) = \frac{1}{z^2} \cdot 2z = \frac{2}{z}$$

so  $ds = \frac{2}{z} dz$ , and so  $\frac{1}{z} dz = \frac{1}{2} ds$

$$= \int \cancel{dz} s \cdot \frac{1}{2} ds = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{s^2}{2} + C = \frac{s^2}{4} + C = \frac{1}{4} [\ln(z^2)]^2 + C$$

③ Do a little prep to simplify the integrand first:

$$\int \frac{\ln(z^2)}{z} dz = \int \frac{2 \ln(z)}{z} dz \quad t = \ln(z), \text{ so } dt = \frac{1}{z} dz$$

$$= 2 \int t dt = 2 \cdot \frac{t^2}{2} + C = \boxed{[\ln(z)]^2 + C}$$

Looks different from  $\frac{1}{4} [\ln(z^2)]^2 + C$ , but

$$= \frac{1}{4} [2 \ln(z)]^2 + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \cdot 4 \cdot [\ln(z)]^2 + C$$

so it's really the same.

A more challenging example:

(4)

$$\int \frac{e^{2x}}{\sqrt{e^x+1}} dx$$

What do we substitute for?

$$= \int \frac{(e^x)^2}{\sqrt{e^x+1}} dx$$

Try to simplify by substituting

$$u = e^x, \text{ so } du = e^x dx$$

$$= \int \frac{e^x \cdot e^x}{\sqrt{e^x+1}} dx$$

$$= \int \frac{u}{\sqrt{u+1}} du$$

Substitute  $w = u+1$ ,  
so  $dw = du$   
&  $u = w-1$

$$= \int \frac{w-1}{\sqrt{w}} dw = \int \left( \frac{w}{\sqrt{w}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{w}} \right) dw = \int \left( \sqrt{w} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{w}} \right) dw$$

$$= \int \left( w^{1/2} - w^{-1/2} \right) dw = \frac{w^{3/2}}{3/2} - \frac{w^{1/2}}{1/2} + C = \frac{2}{3} w^{3/2} - \frac{1}{2} w^{1/2} + C$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} (u+1)^{3/2} - \frac{1}{2} (u+1)^{1/2} + C = \frac{2}{3} (e^x+1)^{3/2} - \frac{1}{2} (e^x+1)^{1/2} + C$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} (\sqrt{e^x+1})^3 - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{e^x+1} + C$$

An alternative substitution for this problem would be (5)  
 to whole hog and substitute  $y = \sqrt{e^x + 1}$

Easier to solve for  $dx$  by solving for  $x$  first:  $y^2 = e^x + 1$   
 $\Rightarrow e^x = y^2 - 1$

$$x = \ln(y^2 - 1)$$

$$dx = \frac{1}{y^2 - 1} \cdot \frac{d}{dy}(y^2 - 1) \cdot dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{y^2 - 1} \cdot 2y \cdot dy$$

$$= \frac{2y}{y^2 - 1} dy$$

~~$$\Rightarrow x = \ln(\sqrt{y^2 - 1})$$~~

~~$$\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{y^2 - 1}} \cdot \frac{d}{dy} \sqrt{y^2 - 1}$$~~

~~$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{y^2 - 1}} \cdot \frac{d}{dy} (y^2 - 1)^{1/2}$$~~

~~$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{y^2 - 1}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (y^2 - 1)^{-1/2} \cdot \frac{d}{dy} (y^2 - 1)$$~~

~~$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{y^2 - 1}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y^2 - 1}} \cdot 2y$$~~

~~$$= \frac{y}{y^2 - 1}$$~~

~~$$\circ \circ dx \in \frac{y}{y^2 - 1} dy$$~~

$$\int \frac{e^{2x}}{\sqrt{e^x + 1}} dx$$

$$= \int \frac{(y^2 - 1)^2}{y} \cdot \frac{2y}{y^2 - 1} dy$$

$$= \int 2(y^2 - 1) dy = 2 \frac{y^3}{3} - 2y + C$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} (\sqrt{e^x + 1})^3 - 2\sqrt{e^x + 1} + C$$

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Q: Why did we get a 2 here instead of  $\frac{1}{2}$  as we did before? Exercise: Find out.